## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1633

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**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Ting et al.

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For:

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## REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Appeal filed June 27, 2008 be withdrawn, and that the application proceed based on the Request for Continued Examination filed July 15, 2008.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

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